



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventor, I individually hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe that I am the original, first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**Method And System For Efficient Character-Based Processing,**" the specification of which was filed on November 3, 2003, as U.S. application no. 10/698,935, and

which claims priority to U.S. provisional application no. 60/423,258 filed November 1, 2002, all by the same inventor as this application.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

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